



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

375th Airlift Wing, Public Affairs Office, Scott AFB, IL 62225-5004

COLONEL FREDERIC C. RYDER

Colonel Frederic C. Ryder is commander of the 375th Mission Support Group, Scott Air Force Base, Ill. He is responsible for support activity for more than 21,000 military members, family members, and civilian employees.

Colonel Ryder graduated from Boston State College in 1978 and began a career as a licensed Funeral Director in Massachusetts. He attended Officer Training School, commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in January 1981, and assumed duties as a Services Officer at Tinker Air Force Base, OK. Colonel Ryder has served as chief of two base-level Services Divisions, commanded a Services Squadron at Kunsan Air Base, ROK, and served as a Deputy Support Group commander at Royal Air Force Lakenheath. In addition to his base-level assignments, Colonel Ryder has served as an action officer and Division Chief at the Air Staff, three different major commands, and the Air Force Personnel Center. His deployments include tours as Deputy Operations Group Commander, 48th Expeditionary Operations Group, Cervia Air Base, Italy, for Operation ALLIED FORCE, and as a Support Squadron Commander for Operation SOUTHERN WATCH.



EDUCATION:

1978 Bachelor of Arts Degree, Boston State College, Boston, MA

1986 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL

1988 Master's degree in International Relations, Webster University, Webster Groves, MO

1995 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL

2003 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. January 1981 - December 1983**, Services Operations Officer and Chief, Services Division, Tinker Air Force Base, OK.
- 2. December 1983 – December 1985**, Chief, Services Division, Lajes Air Base, Portugal
- 3. January 1986 – June 1988**, Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Staff, Civil Engineering and Services, Headquarters Military Airlift Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.
- 4. June 1988 – June 1992**, Chief, Morale Welfare and Recreation and Services Officer Assignments, Headquarters Military Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base, TX.
- 5. July 1992 – June 1994**, Chief, Professional Development Division, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.
- 6. June 1994 – June 1995**, Commander, 8th Services Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, ROK.
- 7. July 1995 – June 1996**, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 8. July 1996 – June 1998**, Chief, Services Readiness Branch, Directorate of Services, Headquarters United States Air Force, Washington, D.C.
- 9. June 1998 – June 2000**, Deputy Commander, 48th Support Group, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, UK.

- 10 July 2000 – June 2002**, Chief Force Management Division, Directorate of Services, Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe, Sembach Air Base, Germany.
- 11. July 2002 – June 2003**, Student, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 12. July 2003 – January 2005**, Director of Services, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Hickam Air Force Base, HI.
- 13. January 2005 – Present**, Commander, 375th Mission Support Group, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star Medal
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Expeditionary Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant Jan 13, 1981
First Lieutenant Jan 13, 1983
Captain Jan 13, 1985
Major May 1, 1992
Lieutenant Colonel Feb 1, 1998
Colonel Sept 1, 2003

(Current as of January 2005)